



Ledding Library Board Meeting Minutes

February 18, 2011
Ledding Library Fiction Room

Meeting called by: Library Board Chairperson, Mark Docken

Library Board Members present: Mark Docken, Tom Hogan, Colleen Schacht, Kay Sweetland Bower, Ron Rasch and Ed Zumwalt.

Library Board Members absent: Robert Biswas-Diener

Library staff: Joe Sandfort

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Call to order: Library Board Chairperson Mark Docken called the meeting to order at 10:00AM

New business

Ledding Library Expansion / Relocation Project #1: Library Director Joe Sandfort said that City Manager Bill Monahan had provided excellent direction in relation to the Library Board's goal of expanding or relocating the Ledding Library. Bill broke the goal down into five tasks and asked that a timeline be provided for each task. Joe went on to say that the Council is currently considering 18 goals for the city and has yet to prioritize them. After a wide-ranging discussion, the Board refined the tasks associated with the library's expansion goal and assigned completion dates to each task:

To be completed by May 1: Evaluate the creation of a Library Expansion Task Force that includes members of the Library Board, City Council, staff and concerned citizens. In fact, the Board would like to have the task force itself created by May 1 and ready to begin work. The Board would like two citizens at large, two Neighborhood Association representatives, the library director, two Board members, a City Councilor, a local business person, a Library Foundation member, and staff persons from the Planning (or Planning Commission member) and Finance Departments. The Board would like the City

Manager's assistance in procuring the correct Council member and city staff to serve on this task force.

To be completed by July 1: Develop a scope of work to evaluate options to either expand the Ledding Library or to pursue additional library facilities within the city that deliver services in association with the Ledding Library.

The Board recommends that part of this scope of work be the conducting a survey in which citizens are asked whether or not they would support a library expansion. The Task Force as described above would develop this scope of work.

To be completed by July 1: Evaluate the impact of assuming responsibility for delivering services to the unincorporated areas of Clackamas County.

The Task Force would work on this goal too.

To be completed by September 1: Cost out the options and present preliminary estimates to the City Council for direction. The Task Force would be responsible for this task as well.

To be completed by January 1, 2012: Follow Council direction and obtain necessary consultant services to develop detailed plans to present to Council of the alternative funding options. The Task Force would work on this goal too.

The Library Board would like to insert language in each task saying something to the effect as "The Task Force will proceed working on the next goal with the authorization and approval of the City Council."

Ledding Library Expansion / Relocation Project #2: Library Board Chair Mark Docken reported that he met with Theresa Tuffli, the Dean of Clackamas Community College's (CCC) Harmony Road Campus. Ms. Tuffli told Mark that CCC has a construction bond measure appearing on the May 2011 ballot. If this measure is successful, the College would have space available for a branch of the Ledding Library. It is possible that CCC and the Ledding Library could work together in providing a library that would be suitable for both clienteles. A partnership of this type would have economic advantages for both the city of Milwaukie and the College. Mark went on to say that a Ledding Library branch at the Harmony Road campus could serve the additional 6,000 people that would be absorbed into the Ledding Library's service area with the closing of the county library at Town Center. The branch would allow for a smaller expansion on the Ledding Library's current site.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00AM.

